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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

To whom it may concern:

I'm writing this to express my disapproval of the proposed settlement in the federal antitrust suit against Microsoft. First, the settlement will allow Microsoft to "donate" their products to poorer school districts under licensing terms that will force the districts to pay millions of dollars in fees if they wish to continue using the software after 5 years -- in effect, allowing Microsoft to make a profit from this settlement. Second, and more importantly, this settlement will not make any material difference in Microsoft's blatant abuse of its operating system monopoly. It will completely nullify years of work on the part of the Department of Justice's dedicated attorneys, and it will allow one of the greatest threats to our nation's economy to exist unchecked. No government that truly serves the interests of its people could allow such a travesty of justice to occur.

Sincerely,
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